

Application No. 10/632,268
AMENDMENT dated September 21, 2006
Reply to Office Action of August 7, 2006

REMARKS

Claims 1-26 are presently pending in this application. The Examiner is thanked for the courtesy extended during the interview on August 22, 2006. The Applicant concurs with the Summary of the Interview of the same date.

Claims 1-26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by US 2,778,687 (Hegstad). Independent claims 1, 15, and 21 have been amended as discussed at the interview. Applicants submit the claims are now patentable over Hegstad.

Claims 1-26 were also rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs. The drawings were also objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The amendments to the claims address these rejections and objection.

Reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-26 are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required with respect to this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

Respectfully submitted,
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